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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
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For: GLOBAL LAB SOFTWARE

Examiner: R. J. Bayerl

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the reasons for allowance have been noted and the following comments are respectfully submitted in the above-identified application.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS**

In the Reasons for Allowance set forth on pages 2-4 of the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner focuses on particular features of independent claims 1, 15, 24, and 41 as distinguishing the claims over the references cited in the attached PTO-892. Although Applicant agrees that the cited references do not disclose or teach the features listed by the Examiner, Applicant wishes to emphasize that the entire contents of each of the claims, considered as a whole, including the various interrelationships and interconnections between the various claimed elements, which are not taught or suggested by the references.

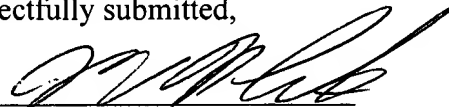
Further, insofar as the Examiner paraphrases limitations of the claimed invention, Applicant submits that the Examiner's Reasons should not in any way unduly limit the scope of the claims. Instead, each claim should only be interpreted in light of the actual language used therein.

Should the Examiner believe that any outstanding matters remain in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Jason W. Rhodes (Reg. No. 47,305) at the telephone number of the undersigned to discuss the present application in an effort to expedite prosecution.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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